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## Church News

**February Collections:** Are for Presbyterian Home Missions. Send all contributions to the Presbyterian Treasurer of Home Missions.

### ALABAMA.

**Prattville:** Fourteen members were received during the last quarter.

**Birmingham:** The Central church, so long and so faithfully served by Dr. L. S. Handley, has cleared off its indebtedness, borne for many years, and is looking forward to increased prosperity.

**Gadsden Church** has given a call to Rev. J. P. Anderson, of Greensboro, and expects to get him, if his Presbytery agrees.

### FLORIDA.

**Arcadia:** The Presbyterian church in Arcadia has changed its relation from the Northern to the Southern Church. It is now looking for a pastor.

### GEORGIA.

**Presbytery of Atlanta** will meet in called meeting Monday, February 7, at 11 a. m., at the First Presbyterian Church to transact the following business: 1. To dissolve the pastoral relation between Rev. J. D. Keith and the Wallace Church; and to dismiss him to the Presbytery of Suwanee, if the way be clear. 2. To receive from the Presbytery of Augusta the Rev. Linton Johnson, and transact any business connected with his settlement as pastor or supply of Barnett Church.

Yours truly,

H. C. Hammond.

Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Atlanta.

**Atlanta, Barnett:** This church, of which Rev. Linton Johnson is pastor, is now full of life and activity. A number

were received into the church by letter and profession of faith at the January communion service and many others have indicated their intention of joining soon. The Sunday-school is large and is growing rapidly. We have a faithful superintendent in Mr. C. O. Harmsen. A splendid orchestra helps to make the music at all the services unsurpassed. The future looks bright and we are expecting God to do great things for us.

**—Wallace Church:** Rev. John David Keith, pastor of this church, has resigned to accept a call to the Lake City, Florida, Presbyterian Church, subject to the approval of Wallace Church and the Presbytery of Atlanta. A called meeting of the Presbytery has been asked to convene at the First Church, Atlanta, Monday, February 7, at 11:00 a. m.

**—First Church:** A joint communion service of all the Presbyterians of Atlanta will be held in this church on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 6, at 3:30 o'clock. A brief address will be delivered. It is hoped there will be a great gathering from all the congregations. The service will be sweet and inspiring.

**—Westminster:** Sunday was a good day in this church. There were 280 present in Sunday school. The new graded lessons are proving attractive. Being the fifth Sunday, the pastor preached to the children. The church was full and running over as the older people came to these services as well as the children. By the aid of a large picture drawn on the blackboard by one of the gifted members of the congregation, the lessons of "Daniel in the Lion's Den," were brought to the attention of the children. Four persons were received into the church, two by letter and two on profession of faith.

**—Moore Memorial Church:** The congregation of Moore Memorial Church took the pastor by complete surprise on the evening of Jan. 26, at the prayer meeting service—the occasion being the birthday of the pastor. The innocent and unsuspecting pastor appeared at the appointed hour, for the purpose of conducting his prayer meeting, when he was confronted by a large congregation, which was an unusual sight at a prayer service. Many and various articles of merchandise began to arrive and people continued to pour in upon the unsuspecting victim, until the lecture-room was filled. After several prayers, the pastor announced his intention of appointing every Wednesday in the year as his birthday.

In a few well chosen words, Mr. A. B. Warner offered the congratulations of the people to the pastor, upon his birthday and upon the 20th anniversary of his present pastorate.

The ladies of the church had prepared ample and delightful refreshments for the occasion and arranged for the social features of the evening, which were much enjoyed by the audience. After singing "Blest be the tie," the congregation dispersed until the next appointed birthday.

### LOUISIANA.

**New Orleans:** The Napoleon Avenue church has been supplied on two Sundays by Rev. Dr. McFarlane, of Navasota, Texas.

**Hammond:** At this church's communion, on last Sunday, the first since the recent organization, three members were received. Rev. David M. Talmage is doing good work in the field.

**New Orleans:** Bishop William A. Quayle, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, will visit New Orleans this week and will deliver a lecture on "Faust" in the St. Charles Avenue Church on Wednesday evening, February 2.

**Sunday-school Work:** Rev. W. H. Leith, of Marlow, N. H., has accepted a call to the Sunday School Evangelistic work of the Synod of Louisiana, under the auspices of the Laymen's Home Mission Movement. Being familiar with both the French and English languages, he will work in Southern Louisiana. He expects to enter upon his work in February.

**New Orleans:** Copy of City Missionary Report, Mrs. John Davidson, Chairman. In submitting this report I would add, by way of encouragement and hope, that our Committee on Domestic Missions secured the hearty co-operation of the General Assembly's Home Missions and now we see the way clear to place a Missionary in the field at once.

The chairman of this committee has been corresponding with several parties in regard to securing a suitable man. The committee urges us not only to continue our gifts but to enlarge them, for every dollar that we put into the work is increased to one dollar and a half by the help of the General Assembly's Home Mission Committee. Let us add to our gifts our prayers for this great work—a work that is lying all around us and a work so great that only with God's blessing can it be accomplished. The amount on hand January, 1910, was \$620.82, \$283.60 of this has been sent in since May.

**Monroe:** On Sunday, January 23, in the First Church, three deacons were ordained and installed. The men set apart to this office were Messrs. J. H. Harrington, D. M. Stevenson and Dr. R. H. Blackman. They had been elected the previous Sunday. The amount due on the Manse property has been arranged for on the share plan. The officers of the church were very much gratified at the ready response of the members in this matter. On last Sunday the attendance in the Sunday-school reached high water mark. There has been a steady growth. It is worth noting that the school uses no attendance rewards of any kind. Plans are being made for the Union Evangelistic meeting to be held in Monroe in April under the leadership of Dr. J. Ernest Thacker.

### KENTUCKY.

**Nicholasville:** Rev. Dr. D. Clay Lilly of this place, has accepted the call re-